# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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JATROPHA AND KANUGA PLANTS
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a target for growing Jatropha and Kanuga plants in large scale for yielding oil to be used in lieu of diesel in vehicles;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the expected yield of bio diesel oil from the plants after one year`s plantation?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Jatropha nursery has been raised for undertaking plantation in 1563 ha. and plantation has been organized in 1147 ha. Accordingly, Karanja nursery has been raised for undertaking plantation in 1047 ha. and plantation has been completed in 676 ha. by the Ministry of Agriculture. The nursery raising and plantation in an area of 6020 ha. for jatropha and 865 ha. of karanja is being organized during 2004-05 in the State of Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala, M.P, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, U.P., Uttaranchal and West Bengal.

(c): No yield would be obtained after one year of plantation, however, the economic yield from jatropha will start from 3rd year of plantation and 6th year in the case of karanja.